## Utah Office of Tourism Board Meeting/Conference Call

October 30, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. Council Hall/Capitol Hill 300 North State Street Salt Lake City, Utah

Hans Fuegi

Frank Jones

Present Via Phone **Board Members** 

Steve Lindburg Steve Burr John Holland

John Holland Bill Malone Bob Bonar Pam Hilton

Staff

Leigh von der Esch Barbara Bloedorn Dave Williams Tracie Cayford

Kelly Day

**Guests Organization** 

Nathan Rafferty Ski Utah

## Welcome

Leigh requested that Hans lead the discussion on this call since the Chairman and Vice Chairman were both unavailable.

Hans briefly outlined a Special Opportunity Cooperative Marketing application received from the Sandy Chamber of Commerce for \$23,000 to promote a Ski Salt Lake value package to out-of-state visitors. The Chamber would be partnering with Alta Ski Area, Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort, Sandy area hotel properties, the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Bureau, and LaCaille to target southern California skiers.

Hans recommended on behalf of the Co-op Committee that the board fund the application and called for discussion.

**MOTION:** After much discussion by the board, Steve Burr made a motion to fund the above mentioned application in the amount of \$23,000. Bob Bonar seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There was a discussion regarding the remainder of the balance of the Special Opportunity Cooperative Marketing fund. Some items to consider with these funds are:

- 1) Should the fund be opened up for an industry wide campaign for winter to help market the ski season?
- 2) Should the fund be opened up industry wide for a non-winter campaign?
- 3) Should the \$250,000 application cap be expanded?
- 4) Should the Co-op Committee consider two rounds of funding per year instead of one?

Leigh suggested that the Coop Committee meet to discuss potential changes for the remaining coop fund and to present its recommendations to the full board at the November 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The UOT will provide an update of the budget to the board before the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.